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PETITION AND AMENDMENT FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)

The above-named Application was subject to a Restriction Requirement, and in response to the Restriction Requirement, Claims 1-4 and 12 were elected and Claims 5-11 and 13 were cancelled, without prejudice. With the cancellation of Claims 5-11 and 12, a change in inventorship is necessary.

One of the joint inventors, Hiroaki Ueno, did not contribute to the subject matter of now pending Claims 1-4 and 12. Accordingly, Applicants hereby petition that the name Hiroaki Ueno be <u>deleted</u> as a joint inventor, as this inventor's contributions are no longer being claimed in the above-named Application. Therefore, the <u>sole inventor</u> in the present Application is <u>Kazuhito Ichihara</u>.

In fulfillment of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.48 (b), a check for \$130.00, the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i), is also enclosed herein.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Petition and Amendment for Correction of Inventorship because the proper procedures required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) are believed to have been followed.

Respectfully submitted,

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